

§ A400-1. Acceptance or rejection of local option statutes.

The following is a list of local option statutes accepted or rejected by the Town of Boxford.

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	242	1867	1883	Accepted	Removal of shade trees
	158	1871	1898	Accepted	Election of Board of Road Commissioners
	482	1902	1902	Accepted	Election of Town Clerk
	264	1886		Accepted	Voting precincts
	503	1912	11-5-1912	Rejected	Pensioning laborers
	494	1911	3-3-1913	No action taken	Eight hour day
	807	1913	11-4-1913	Accepted	Workmen's compensation
	807	1913	3-2-1914	Accepted	Workmen's compensation
	487	1913		No action taken	Call men
	217	1914	11-3-1914	Rejected	Laborers' vacations
	688	1914	11-3-1914	Rejected	Saturday half- holiday
	790	1914	11-3-1914	Accepted	Abolition of party enrollment — primaries
	23	1917	3-4-1918	No action	Licensing taken of coffee houses

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	254	1917	3-4-1918	No action taken	Soldier's pay
	293	1916	3-4-1918	Accepted	Licensing motor vehicles
	598	1910	4-1-1918	Accepted	Accounting system
	624	1910	7-11-1918	Accepted	Town accountant
	311G	1919	11-4-1919	Accepted	Continuation schools
	14	1921	3-6-1922	No action taken	Assistant assessors
RL 103 §§ 178- 180				Accepted	Licensing picnic groves
	209	1908		Accepted	Protection of forest or sprout lands
	807	1913		Accepted	Workmen's compensation
	153	1916		Accepted	Licensing of slaughterhouses
	293	1916		Accepted	Licensing of jitneys
140, § 47				Accepted	Licensing of coffee houses
94, § 120A				Accepted	Additional fees for slaughterhouses
41, § 6			6-25-1923	Accepted	Use of official ballots

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131, § 105B			3-1-1937	Accepted	Street traps
	710	1941	3-2-1942	Accepted	Registration and operation of bicycles
328, §§ 1-28	166	1946	11-5-1946	Accepted	Establishment of retirement system
48, §§ 42-44			1950	Accepted	Establishment of Fire Department and appointment of Fire Chief
71, §§ 16-16I	638	1949	10-1-1956	Accepted	Establishment of regional school district
	670	1955	1956	Accepted	Increasing pensions
40, § 8C			1960	Accepted	Establishment of Conservation Commission
	478	1963	1963	Accepted	Increasing pensions
32B			1965	Accepted	Group insurance
152, § 69			1967	Accepted	Additional workmen's compensation coverage
32B			1971	Accepted	Increased group insurance coverage
	486	1971	3-7-1972	Rejected	Beano licensing

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40, § 6C			1973	Accepted	Snow and ice removal
53, § 9A			1974	Accepted	Deadlines for filing nomination papers
40, § 13			1979	Accepted	Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund
41, § 45A			1979	Accepted	Board of Selectmen to act as Board of Commissioners of Trust Funds
	152, § 9	1940		Accepted	Workmen's compensation
41, § 97				Accepted	Establishment of Police Department and appointment of Chief of Police
40, § 4G			5-12-1981	Accepted	Increase amount necessitating specific bidding procedures
90, § 20A 1/ 2					Parking regulations
90, § 20C			5-12-1981	Accepted	
	43	1982	5-10-1983	Accepted	Tuition for nonresident students

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653		1982	5-9-1984	Accepted	Revaluation impact and relief for the elderly and disabled
32B, § 16			1984	Accepted	Optional health insurance
188, § 13		1985	11-19-1985	Accepted	Professional grant program for teachers
188, §§ 16-17		1985	5-13-1986	Accepted	Salary increased for teachers
4055	640	1985		Accepted	Licenses for cities and towns
		Chapter 291 of the Acts of 1990	5-15-1991	Accepted	Enhanced 9-1-1
44, § 531/2			5-10-1994	Accepted	Establishment of recycling revolving account
44, § 53 1/2			5-10-1994		Establishment of a library photocopy machine revolving account
48, § 42A			5-10-1994	Rejected	Relative to the creation of Fire Department

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40, § 3			5-10-1994	Accepted	Makes school rental fund a revolving fund
40, § 8d			5-10-1994	Accepted	Establish a Historical Commission
59, § 5			5-10-1994	Accepted	Reduction of state residency requirement for veteran's exemption
		Chapter 71, Section 83 of Acts of 1993	7-13-1993	Accepted	Early retirement incentive for teachers
		Chapter 85, Section 2A of Acts of 1994	12-14-1994	Accepted	Appropriations for highway maintenance and construction
44, § 17			5-10-1988	Accepted	Authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money
71, § 5, CL. 41C			5-10-1988	Accepted	Increase elderly exemption
71, § 40			5-10-1988	Accepted	State reimbursement of teacher's pay

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39, § 10			5-11-1988	Accepted	Collective bargaining agreements subsections
41, § 1			5-11-1988	Accepted	Combine positions of treasurer and tax collector funds
		Chapter 236 of the Acts of 1987	5-11-1988	Accepted	Expenditure of default funds by municipal Planning Board
40, § 5 cl. 51			5-11-1988	Accepted	Conservation fund
44, § 4			5-9-1989	Accepted	Town Treasurer to borrow money
44, § 4, 17			5-8-1990	Accepted	Town Treasurer to borrow money
		Chapter 516 of the Acts of 1958	5-8-1990	Accepted	Withdraw from membership in Essex County Mosquito Control Project
98, § 56			5-8-1990	Accepted	Schedule of fees for the sealing of weighing or measuring devices

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44, § 53F 1/ 2			5-12-1992	Accepted	Creation of a Roadside Collection Solid Waste and Recycling Enterprise Fund
		Chapter 223 of the Act of 1990	5-22-1991	Accepted	To join the Essex-Middlesex Sanitary District
101, § 33			5-22-1991	Accepted	Issue of temporary licenses for public events
30B			5-22-1991	Accepted	Busing of students
		Chapter 706 of the Act of 1989	5-22-1991	Accepted	Leasing of surplus school space
		Chapter 138 of the Acts of 1981, §§ 228- 231	8-27-1991	Rejected	
59, § 57C			2-25-1992	Accepted	Quarterly tax bills
71, §§ 16- 16I			10-20-1992	Rejected	Expansion of Masconomet Regional School District

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44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-12-1992	Accepted	Establishment of recycling revolving account
33		Acts of 1991	5-12-1992	Accepted	Highway maintenance and construction state aid
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-11-1993	Accepted	Recycling revolving account to be under the direction of Board of Health
44, § 8 (p.24)			5-11-1993	Accepted	Transfer of funds for the closure of sanitary landfill
		Chapter 399 of the Acts and resolves of 1992	7-13-1993	Accepted	Early retirement for certain town employees
		Chapter 516 of the Acts of 1958	8-10-1994	Rejected	Re-join Essex County Mosquito Control District
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-9-1995	Accepted	Establishment of a printing revolving account

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44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-9-1995	Accepted	Establishment of a library photocopy machine revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-9-1995	Accepted	Establishment of a recycling revolving account
30B			2-27-1996	Accepted	The lease of town land for agriculture lease
30B			2-27-1996	Accepted	The lease of conservation land for agriculture leases
44, § 73, 3A		Chapter 645 of the Act of 1948	2-27-1996	Accepted	School funding contingent on prop. 21/2 override
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-14-1996	Accepted	Recycling revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-14-1996	Accepted	Printing revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-14-1996	Accepted	Library photocopy machine revolving account

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40 § 8C			5-14-1996	Accepted	Authorize Treasurer with approval of the Selectman to enable the Conservation Commission to purchase land
30B			5-14-1996	Accepted	Authorization of Selectman to enter into contracts for ambulance services
	Ch. 113, § 2A	1996	10-22-1996	Accepted	State aid allotment and reimbursement for Highway Department
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-1997	Accepted	Recycling revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-1997	Accepted	Printing revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-1997	Accepted	Library photocopy machine revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-1997	Accepted	Conservation revolving account

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40, § 8C			5-14-1997	Accepted	Authorize the Treasurer with approval of the Selectmen to enable the Conservation Commission to purchase land
29C § 1			5-22-1997	Accepted	Financing water pollution abatement facility projects
111, § 155			5-22-1997	Accepted	Licensing of stables in cities and large towns
32b, § 18			5-22-1997	Accepted	Eligible retirees spouses or dependents enrolled in Medicare part A at no cost, be required to enroll in supplement plan offered by the town
59, § 2A(a)			10-28-1997	Accepted	Allows town to assess new buildings, structures or other improvements added to real property

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127, § 59		1999	5-9-2000	Accepted	Property tax workoff program
43C, § 11			5-9-2000	Accepted	Create a consolidated Dept. of Municipal Finance
41, § 41B			5-8-2001	Accepted	Authorize Treasurer to provide a payroll option for electronic transfer of funds
59, § 5(41D)		Added by Chapter 380, § 2, of the Acts of 2000	5-8-2001	Accepted	Allow increase in income and asset limits that apply to applicants for Clause 41C by the consumer price index
59, § 5(17D)			5-8-2001	Accepted	Exempt total value of the owner- occupied dwelling
181, § 1		1995	5-8-2001	Accepted	Increase annual exemption amount for MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 17D by the consumer price index

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59, § 5(17E)		Added by Chapter 380, § 1, of the Acts of 2000	5-8-2001	Accepted	Increase the whole estate limits that apply to applicants for a tax exemption under MGL c. 59, § 5, Clause 17D, by the consumer price index
59, § 5 (54) Chapter	G.L. Chapter	Added by Chapter 159, § 114, of the Acts of 2000	5-8-2001 of the Action	Accepted Result of Action Date of reject, etc.)	Establish a minimum fair cash value of \$3,001 required for per- sonal property accounts to be taxed (effective fiscal year 2002) (Accept, Topic
184, § 51		2002	10-22-2002	Accepted	Adjustment of several factors related to property exempt from assessment of local taxes, including reducing the eligibility age and increasing certain amounts
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-2003	Accepted	Recycling revolving account

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44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-2003	Accepted	Printing revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-2003	Accepted	Library photocopy machine revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-2003	Accepted	Conservation revolving fund
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-13-2003	Accepted	Highway safety revolving account

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39 § 23D			10-24-2006	Accepted	Allow a board member of any municipal board, committee or commission to vote in an adjudicatory hearing pending before their board, committee or commission even if that member has been absent from no more than a single session of the hearing at which testimony or other evidence is received, as long as before such vote the member shall certify in writing that he has examined all evidence received at the missing session
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Recycling revolving account

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44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Printing revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Library photocopy machine revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Conservation revolving fund
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Highway safety revolving account
44, § 53E 1/ 2			5-8-2007	Accepted	Council on Aging transportation revolving account
59, § 5, Clause 41A			5-8-2007	Accepted	Establish the interest rate to be charged for deferred property taxes for qualifying seniors for fiscal years beginning on or after 7-1-2007

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44B, § 3(i), and 59, § 5, Clause 55			10-23-2007	Accepted	Allows the Board of Assessors to grant certain property tax and Community Preservation Act surtax exemptions to qualified residents occupying units in housing cooperatives
32, § 4(2)(b 1/ 2)			10-27-2009	Accepted	Allow persons eligible for retirement to claim service as call firefighters for purposes of calculating creditable service
	In accord- ance with Chapter 463 of the Acts of 2004		10-27-2009	Accepted	Authorize Town to become a member of the North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District

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32B, § 20			10-22-2011	Accepted	Establish an Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund and authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into any and all agreements as necessary to establish said trust
59, § 5K	218	2016	5-9-2017	Accepted	Increase the amount of deduction on property tax bills to \$1,500 for eligible seniors
40, § 13E			5-9-2017	Accepted	Create a Special Education Revolving Fund

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32B, § 20			5-9-2017	Accepted	Create an Other Post Employment Benefits Fund for the current and future liabilities of the Town for group health insurance benefits for retirees and their dependents
59, § 5C1/2			5-8-2018	Accepted	Provide an additional real estate exemption for taxpayers who are granted personal exemptions on their domiciles under MGL c. 59, § 5, including certain blind persons, veterans, surviving spouses and seniors, and to provide that the additional exemption be up to 100% of the personal exemption